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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Warner

SUBJECT

: OMB Comment on Director's Testimony

Before Moorhead

1. At Lyle's suggestion, I reported back to Jim Oliver of OMB, who had given the OMB clearance on our legislation, to report that we had made some changes. I described them in general terms and he had no problems with that.

2. He did point out in connection with H.R. 15845 and the Director's reference to his testimony before Nedzi on that bill, one point which concerned OMB. In fact, he stated that OMB and Justice have some doubts about the provision which provides that "any information indicating a violation of such plans, policies, and regulations, shall be reported to the Attorney General of the United States for appropriate action." The OMB-Justice concern apparently is that they wonder what value or purpose there is in such reports to the Attorney General. He would hope that the Director, in his testimony tomorrow, would not have occasion to make any comment which would complicate consideration of this point. I told him that the Director's prepared text, in my view, would not be a problem and I promised we would bring this matter to the attention of the Director.

RHI.

cc: OLC